

NEWS OF A LAR FROM EVERY CORNER OF GREATER NEW YORK.

TO LIFE THROUGH FLAME AND SMOKE.

Fifteen Climb from the Sixth Floor While Fire Blazes in the Fourth.

Fifteen work people who were busy in the embroidery factory of Wieser & Speir, on the sixth floor of No. 597 West Broadway, had a very uneasy quarter of an hour last night. They were cut off from the street by a fire which they were not sure would not burn up the whole building, themselves with it.

Fire broke out on the fourth floor, occupied by John W. Tillard & Co., manufacturers of boys' clothing. A policeman sent in an alarm. The firemen could not locate the fire at first, owing to the dense smoke, and a second alarm was sent in.

L. Speir, a junior member of the firm on the sixth floor, who had charge of the people working overtime, heard the engine bells and went to the window. He saw that the building was ablaze.

Then he found that the stairway was full of smoke, and it was not possible to reach the street that way. He piloted his frightened workpeople down a fire escape in the rear. They climbed down through a cloud of smoke and reached the building of Wessel Brothers, No. 108 Wooster street.

Mrs. Bach, one of the workwomen, who lives in Houston street, fainted. She is rather stout, and Mr. Speir and his foreman, Mr. Shock, had trouble in carrying her down.

The loss on the building is about \$9,000.

MOULINEUX MUST STAY IN JAIL.

Another "Tri-Crescent" Letter Found Which It Is Claimed He Wrote.

The case of Roland B. Molineux will be re-submitted to the Grand Jury to-morrow or on Thursday. It has not yet been decided whether Molineux's request to face that body during the investigation of his case will be acceded to. At 1 o'clock, when the members of the Grand Jury file into Part I. of the Court of General Sessions, it is expected that an indictment for murder in the first degree will have been found against Molineux, which will hold until he is brought to trial.

By the decision of Justice Bookstaver on the habeas corpus proceedings, instituted in behalf of Molineux, the alleged poisoner must remain in jail.

Lawyers Weeks and Battle's claim that Molineux should be released on the ground that the indictment against him having been dismissed he is being illegally detained was not agreed with by Justice Bookstaver.

Coincidentally with the handing down of Justice Bookstaver's decision, word reached District-Attorney James W. O'Sullivan, that the new find is one of the famous tri-crescent kind, a specimen of which we already have in evidence. It will prove the biggest thing yet discovered in the case, and then we can simply rest on our oars until the case comes to trial. I have just received word of the find and delivered to me the first thing this morning.

"A letter written by Molineux and bearing his name, known to have been penned by him, and furthermore, this new letter is such a one of the tri-crescent variety, there will be no trouble in accusing Molineux of the murder of Barnett, for one of the H. C. Barnett letters was sent from the private letter agency, and which the experts have declared on oath was written by Roland B. Molineux, was a letter of the tri-crescent sort."

HURLED, DEAD, MANGLED, FROM "L" TO THE STREET.

Trackwalker Meets an Awful Fate Before the Eyes of Many Shocked Passengers.

Charles Neyers, a trackwalker, was killed yesterday on the Thirty-fourth street spur of the Third Avenue "L" Road. He was fastening a bolt at the second avenue station, when motor No. 30 struck him in the back. His skull was fractured, one leg was cut off and his mangled body was hurled to the street below.

The accident was witnessed by a large number of people on the station platform and on the bridge over the track.

Engineer Arthur J. Brennan, Fireman James Austin and Conductor Louis Astkirk were taken to Yorkville Court, and thence to the Coroner's office, who held them in \$1,000 each to await a inquest. All were badly hurt. Neyers was married and a father.

MAGISTRATE SHOULD HEAR BEFORE GRAND JURY ACTS.

Judge McMahon Denounces the Practice of Indictment First, Hearing Afterward.

Judges of the Court of General Sessions have frequently disapproved of submitting criminal cases to the Grand Jury before the accused person has been examined before a Magistrate. Yesterday Judge McMahon publicly referred to this system when he charged the May Grand Jury. In his address he said:

In the ordinary and formal procedure for punishment of crime, the first proceeding usually had before a committing magistrate, where the person accused is informed of the nature of the offense charged and allowed a hearing in open court should he demand it. This is a wise and well ordered system, and should not be departed from except for good and sufficient reasons, such as may be found in exceptional cases where the accused is arrested without the jurisdiction, or where it is necessary to prevent the escape of some of the parties accused.

BEARDED BOY REFUSED BY GERRY.



The Wonderful Bearded Boy.

Because he wore a beard and looked quite old the Gerry Society officials declined to receive a prisoner who insisted, however, that he was only thirteen years old.

JOSEPH REYNOLDS, the "boy man" of Greenwich Village, who looks more than thirteen years old, because he has a beard, gave a lot of trouble to the police on Sunday on account of the difference between his age as he gives it and his age as it appears to a casual observer. He was arrested for fighting with a colored man at Twenty-third street and Twelfth avenue. As he said he was so young they sent him to the Gerry society rooms, where he called for a razor and dispatched a message to his wife to come and rescue him.

Then the Gerry officials refused to have anything more to do with him, and the police took him in charge. In the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday he was allowed to go. The Court thought that his beard would make it hard for the juvenile Asylum officials to receive him.

DALZELL TUG BEATS THE WILBUR

Two Miles Ahead in an 18-Mile Race Up the Hudson River.

Fred B. Dalzell, owner of the new harbor tug named after him, matched his craft last Sunday against the tug Rollin H. Wilbur, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, in an eighteen-mile race to Yonkers. He won with two miles to spare.

With commendable prudence Mr. Dalzell said nothing about the prospective race last Sunday morning. Six hundred dollars had been wagered on the result and he was by no means sure of the capabilities of his new and untried boat.

The start was made off the Battery, landing at 1 p. m. when the tide was running a strong flood. Until the two boats were abreast of the Cunard pier at the foot of Clarkson street, they were nose and nose. Then the Dalzell began to draw ahead and she had increased the lead to two miles when the Yonker's landing was reached. The two boats afterward steamed to Tarrytown, where a dinner was served in celebration of the race.

DRUGGIST CATCHERS GET CAUGHT.

They Have Poison Prescriptions Filled and Then Ask for Black-mail.

Two men who it is said made a good living by blackmailing druggists were arrested yesterday. They were Albert Raylings, aged thirty-six, a specimen of which we already have in evidence. It will prove the biggest thing yet discovered in the case, and then we can simply rest on our oars until the case comes to trial. I have just received word of the find and delivered to me the first thing this morning.

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TRAINED NURSES WHOM ALGER SNUBBED.

Best in America Volunteered in Vain for Service in the War.

The best nurses in America are holding a three days' convention at the Academy of Medicine, No. 17 West Forty-third street. They belong to the Associated Alumni of Trained Nurses of the United States. There are more than two hundred of them.

Although there are 2,500 trained nurses in the organization its services were refused by the War Department when the war with Spain broke out. They were made at yesterday's meeting by Mrs. Hunter Robb, the president, who comes from Cleveland, of the Indiana, and the arrangements of the Alger Administration. Mrs. Robb said that the association has a bill in Congress providing for an emergency corps of trained nurses, but the Red Cross opposes it.

WARDEN JOHNSON TAKES CHARGE AT SING SING.

Mr. Sage Turns Over All State Property, and His Family Will Leave To-day.

Addison Johnson took charge of Sing Sing Prison yesterday as warden at 6:30 o'clock. Ex-Warden Sage delivered the books and papers, drew a check for the balance in bank due the State, and handed it to the new warden. Mr. Sage took the 9:21 train for New York. Mr. Sage and his daughter will vacate the warden's house to-day.

Warden Johnson said that he does not intend to make any change in the prison employees at present.

NEWARK'S BOY FORGER SENTENCED.

Michael Lehr, the boy forger who was arrested in Newark a few weeks ago for forging checks, which were circulated throughout the country by a band of men with whom he was connected, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Fort in Newark to two years and a half at hard labor in the State Prison.

Such rich food causes indigestion; Johnson's Digestive Tablets relieve it at once.

CROKER SITS IN AS FIRE CHIEF.

Though a Democrat, He Will Keep the Department Out of Politics, He Declares.

Edward F. Croker, the newly-appointed Chief of the Fire Department, took charge of his office in the Department building, No. 147 East Sixty-seventh street, yesterday morning. There were no important fires during the day, and the first day of the new Chief was mainly devoted to receiving his friends and "looking over the situation," as he expressed it.

Chief Croker says that he has in mind no radical reforms to put into action in the department as yet. He and Chief Bonner were very cordial personal friends, and as the new Chief learned the business of extinguishing fires from his predecessor, he will naturally go very slow about making changes.

"I am in hearty sympathy with mutual benefit organizations among firemen," said Chief Croker, in discussing the outlook in the department with a Journal reporter. "Our men should have some method of insuring themselves against accident. I do not think my policy in this respect will differ in any particular from that of the previous administration."

"I shall insist, just as Chief Bonner has done, upon the complete separation of the Fire Department from politics. I vote the Democratic ticket, I am an ardent Union man, and take no active part in politics. I think the greatest usefulness can only be secured when all unformed forces are outside of political affiliations altogether."

"I have thought a great deal on the subject of revising the hotel laws so that

greater protection from fire may be secured."

Chief Bonner has already begun making changes in the department. His clothing caught in the machinery, he was drawn into the ponderous grinder. Joseph Miller, a fellow employee, rushed over to save him, but it was then too late. Blum's legs and his right arm were torn from the body before Miller's pleading cries caused the engineer to stop the machinery. Blum was then dead. Nearly half an hour elapsed before the mangled body was taken from the machine.

ANDREWS FIRE AN ACCIDENT.

Coroner's Jury Discredit the Police Theory That It Was an Incendiary's Work.

An inquest into the cases of the twelve victims who lost their lives in the burning of Wallace C. Andrews' home, at No. 2 East Sixty-seventh street, on April 7, was held yesterday before Coroner Zucca and a jury, and ended in a verdict which follows the opinion of the Fire Marshal and not the police. The Fire Marshal held that it originated through a defective fuse.

The police did not and a few days after the fire discovered that the Andrews family had previously received anonymous threatening letters relative to servants employed by the family.

"Did you ever hear that the Andrews family were afraid their house was to be set on fire?" asked the Coroner.

"No, sir, but Mrs. St. John complained of receiving an anonymous letter, and Mary Flanagan, one of the servants, had also received abusive letters. The letter to Mrs. St. John threatened to burn her children with acid."

"Do you believe the fire was the work of an incendiary?" he was asked.

"We can find no motive," was the reply.

Policeman Thomas Donohue said he was called to the Andrews house about two hours before the fire to investigate a complaint of the butler, Foley, that a lot of half-burned matches had been thrown into the gateway through the grating, but he found nothing suspicious.

Emma Kanes, a colored caretaker, told of finding one brick of the fuse lying in the alleyway between the house and the back yard.

Andrew J. Foley, the suave and self-poised butler of the Andrews household, said that he found the front area flooded with water, and Mary Flanagan told him that someone had thrown matches and a white substance that looked like sulphur.

He reported to Mrs. Andrews, who sent him to the police station.

Thomas J. Maguire, Deputy Assistant Fire Marshal for the Borough of Manhattan, then took the stand and said that a close inspection of the fuse lying in the alleyway between the house and the back yard had been made, and that the fuse was found to be defective.

The jury found that the conflagration was accidental and due to unknown causes.

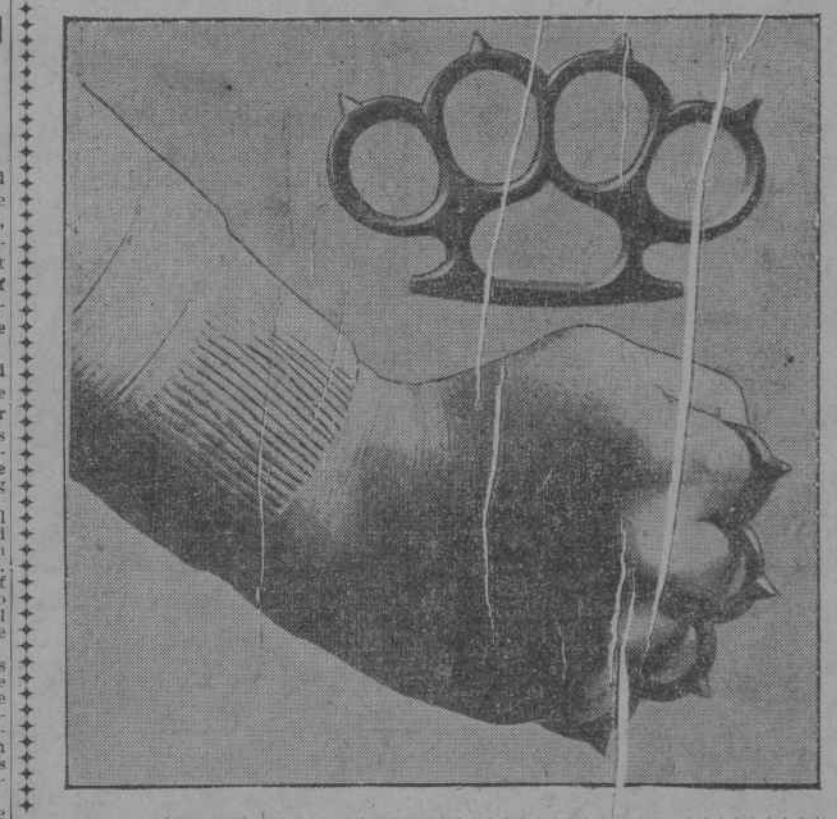
WOULD-BE SUICIDE FINDS A FRIEND.

Daisy Handgate, the eighteen-year-old orphan who attempted suicide, was yesterday placed by Magistrate Lemon, of Williamsburg, in the care of Joseph Lane, who had been a friend of the young girl's father. The Rev. Horace Porter and the Rev. W. B. Mills were in court to plead leniency for the girl, who, since the death of her parents, six years ago, has been thrown upon her own resources.

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at the Journal's Summer Resort Bureau, where complete and reliable information can be had concerning all summer hotels and boarding houses. If you can't call, write.

MAN WEARS STEEL SPURS ON HIS FISTS.



Mr. Murphy's Deadly Weapon.

This is the cheerful apparatus worn by a suspicious character arrested on the Bowery. A blow from a fist, clad in these spurs, if properly aimed would prove fatal.

A REMARKABLE weapon was found upon the person of William Murphy, a tough looking youth, who was arrested by Policeman Nelson on the Bowery on Sunday night on the diagnosis that proved correct that there was something suspicious about him.

The suspicious article proved to be a pair of steel knuckles provided with spikes an inch and a half long, resembling the metal gauffs, or spurs, attached to game chickens when they fight in the cockpit.

Mr. Murphy, with these knuckles on would be a formidable man in a street fight. A good blow would drive one of the spikes through a man's brain.

The prisoner was identified as being "Bugs" for a robbery of John Jones at No. 88 Bowery on April 7. He had boasted that he would never be taken alive, evidently relying upon his steel knuckles to save him from the police. He was as meek as a lamb, however, when arrested.

In the Centre Street Police Court he was held in \$1,500 bail.

WHIRLED TO DEATH BY 'MD WHEELS.

Two Williamsburg Laborers Accused, Brooklyn Ex-Officials Testify in Their Own Behalf.

Two Williamsburg laborers were caught in machinery in two different establishments last evening and torn into almost unrecognizable masses.

The first to meet death was Louis Blum, aged forty, who lived at No. 112 North Fifth street. He was employed in A. B. Ansbacher & Co.'s color works, at No. 310 North Seventh street. Shortly before 5 o'clock he took an off shift to grease a machine. His clothing caught in the machinery, he was drawn into the ponderous grinder. Joseph Miller, a fellow employee, rushed over to save him, but it was then too late. Blum's legs and his right arm were torn from the body before Miller's pleading cries caused the engineer to stop the machinery. Blum was then dead. Nearly half an hour elapsed before the mangled body was taken from the machine.

An hour later George Young, aged thirty, was caught in the machinery. He was employed in the same establishment. He was drawn into the ponderous grinder. Joseph Miller, a fellow employee, rushed over to save him, but it was then too late. Young's legs and his right arm were torn from the body before Miller's pleading cries caused the engineer to stop the machinery. Young was then dead. Nearly half an hour elapsed before the mangled body was taken from the machine.

Almost an army of witnesses to testify to the good general repute of ex-City Works Commissioner Williams and ex-Police Commissioner Phillips were called in their trial in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn yesterday.

The taking of testimony was concluded last night and the lawyers will sum up to-day. In all likelihood the case will go to the jury to-morrow.

Williams and Phillips testified in their own behalf. It was evident from Williams' defence that the blame for the mismanagement of his office is to be placed by his counsel on his former chief clerk, Fielding, who is already under sentence. Williams solemnly denied entering into any agreement with Duddy, the contractor, for his own financial benefit. He denied also that he had ever conspired with Phillips to rob the city of Brooklyn. The indictment was returned to him section by section, and he was given a chance to deny it specifically.

"That indictment," he said, "is the most false accusation ever made against any man."

It is not believed in political circles that they will be convicted. A disagreement of the jury is looked for.

TRACT BUILDING TENANTS ESCAPE.

They Thought There Was a Scheme to Hold Them by Stratagem for Another Year.

The city of New York gave up the rooms it rented in the American Tract Society Building yesterday, and the action almost ended in a row among the landlord's agents, several other agents and the tenants.

The city leased the entire seventeenth floor and some rooms on the third floor. These offices were moved yesterday to the Syndicate Building, on Park row, and all the tenants and were about moving. Subleased to Douglas Robinson.

The agent for the building is John Gould. Yesterday he heard that the tenants were planning to leave the building, and he offered them at that time many of his old tenants had taken advantage of the rent and were about moving. The tenants said the elevator men were told not to move any furniture until night, and the tenants had been informed that if they remained in their old rooms after 12 o'clock they would be held for another year's lease.

When this became known a lively scramble occurred, but all the tenants who wished to go got away.

Cut Long Branch Telephone Wires.

The Monmouth Telephone Company has been put out of business, as far as Long Branch is concerned. The telephone company had strung its wires between Red Bank and Long Branch without permission from the Board of Commissioners.

Mayor Chandler learned of the action of the company and authorized Pierre T. Troutman to cut all the wires within the city limits. Armed with piers Troutman last Sunday night cut the wires at every street crossing in the city and removed the wires. The telephone company, it is understood, will institute a suit for damages against Mayor Chandler.

STAMP COLLECTORS AT THE POST OFFICE

The stamps were offered in Boston originally, the authorities believing that city would absorb them all. The Quartermaster craze, however, came up in Boston a few months ago, and postage stamp collectors, after some extra sets of periodical stamps that were put on sale yesterday.

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LOST HER LIFE. "LOOKING FOR PAPA"

Four-Year-Old Lizzie Leaned Too Far Out of the Window in Her Eagerness.

Little Lizzie Dezmody, who is four years old, leaned so far out of the window of her house, on the fourth floor of No. 48 Roosevelt street, last night, looking for the return of her parents from work, that she fell to the pavement below. Her skull was crushed, and she will die.

The family were moving into new quarters. Lizzie and two younger children were in charge of an older sister, and all of them were playing when Lizzie ran to the window.

"I'm going to look out for papa," she said.

She had not been used to living so high up, and perhaps she became dizzy.

The others saw her feet as she vanished from sight with a cry. When they looked out Little Lizzie lay quiet upon the stones below.

A passer-by carried her to a drug store, and an ambulance came from Hudson Street Hospital.

Surgeon General said that the child's skull was crushed. There was a compound depressed fracture of the vault. The bones were so badly broken that the operation of trephining could not be performed.

FIRST SUNSTROKE CASES OF SUMMER

A Policeman Succumbs at a Fire and a Woman Taken to the Hospital.

The warm spell that made New Yorkers perspire yesterday and want to wear straw hats—though very few of them dared to rush the season to the extent of donning one—will continue until to-morrow, if the weather Bureau's prophecies hold good.

There were two heat prostrations, the first of the season. Charles Lawser, a patrolman of the Old Slip station house, was called to a fire in Broad street. He ran there so fast and it was so warm when he got there that he fainted from the excess of temperature. He returned to the station house and put ice on his head. He had the proud distinction of being the first heat victim of the year.

Adelaide Bessley, aged fifty-three, of No. 326 East Forty-first street, was the second victim. She was overcome at Fifty-eighth street and Second avenue, and was removed to a fire in Broad street. He ran there so fast and it was so warm when he got there that he fainted from the excess of temperature. He returned to the station house and put ice on his head. He had the proud distinction of being the first heat victim of the year.

The official temperature at 3 p. m. was 77 degrees, and at that hour the humidity percentage was 66, but the warm wave came so suddenly after a season of cool breezes that the public suffered almost as much as they do when the mercury is up in the nineties in July.

The heat was much greater in the West and South. In Philadelphia it did not go over 70.

Weather sharps believe that Summer is here to stay. In New Jersey the farmers are planting out all their seeds and praying for rain, of which there is an unusually slight allowance for this season of the year.

WOMAN STRICKEN DUMB.

Physicians Puzzled, There Being No Cause Apparent.

Mrs. Horace Marsh, wife of an Elizabeth builder, is suffering from an affliction that puzzles her physicians. She was suddenly attacked last October with a sharp pain in the side of her head, which soon went away. Several days later she had another attack, and then she was struck dumb. She is apparently in good health, but cannot talk, and can only give negative or affirmative signs by shaking her head.

The doctors attending her say her mind is not affected.

TRAFFIC IN POISON.

Government Inspection Needed to Condemn Whiskey That Is Had as Well as to Approve That Which Is Good.

It has often been observed by those who come from the mother country that it is a great pity that no Governmental supervision is exercised over the keepers of saloons, so that they should be compelled to sell genuine and pure spirits.

We say, then, let the Government appoint inspectors, whose duty it shall be to go into every saloon and test by scientific methods the liquors that are sold there.

It is true that the Government has set its seal of approval upon good whiskey, in recognizing and taxing Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey as a Medicine, but let it also seek out and punish those who sell poison under the name of whiskey.

Keep Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey in the house, and then you are sure of having that which the Government says is all right.

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